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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4-10, 15-17, 19, 21-23 and 25 as follows:

1. [Amended] A method of controlling programming of portable programmed data carriers in a system having a plurality of [programming] personalization stations, the method comprising [the steps of]:

receiving a card object from a card issuer management system, wherein the card object consists of information for programming the portable programmed data carriers;

receiving a programming request from one of the [programming station] personalization stations; and

91 utilizing the card object to control the [programming] personalization station as the [programming] personalization station programs the portable programmed data carrier.

2. [Amended] The method of claim 1, further comprising [the step of] acquiring data from a data source.

4. [Amended] The method of claim 1, further comprising [the step of] acquiring security services from a security source.

5. [Amended] The method of claim 1, further comprising [the step of] providing support services.

92 6. [Amended] The method of claim 1, wherein [the step of] receiving a programming request comprises [the steps of]:

receiving a card object identifier; and

associating the card object identifier with the card object.

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7. [Amended] The method of claim 2, further comprising [the step of] acquiring security services from a security source.

8. [Amended] The method of claim 7, further comprising [the step of] providing support services.

9. [Amended] The method of claim 8, wherein [the step of] receiving a programming request comprises [the steps of]:

receiving a card object identifier; and

associating the card object with the card object identifier.

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cont. Sub B1  
10. [Amended] A computerized system for controlling programming of portable programmed data carriers across a plurality of personalization stations, the system comprising:

a personalization server interface for acquiring services from one of more resources, transferring card information to one of the personalization stations, and controlling the programming of the portable programmed data [carrier] carriers; and

a personalization station interface for receiving the card information from the personalization server interface and for programming one of the portable programmed data [carrier] carriers.

Sub C2  
11. [Amended] A computerized system for controlling programming of portable programmed data carriers across a plurality of personalization stations, the system comprising:

[a] means for receiving one or more card objects from a card issuer management system, wherein the card objects comprise information for programming the portable programmed data carriers;

[a] means for receiving a programming request from the [programming] personalization station; and

[a] means for utilizing the card object to control the [programming] personalization

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station as the [programming] ~~personalization~~ station programs the portable programmed data carrier.

6 18. [Amended] The computerized system of claim 15, further comprising [a] means for acquiring security services from a security source.

7 19. [Amended] The computerized system of claim 15, further comprising [a] means for acquiring data from a data source.

94 9 19. [Amended] The computerized system of claim 15, further comprising [a] means for providing support services.

Sub C3 95 21. [Amended] A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions [for performing the steps] stored thereon for causing a computer to perform a method of controlling programming of portable programmed data carriers, the method comprising:

receiving one or more card objects from a card issuer management system, wherein the card objects consist of information for programming the portable programmed data carriers;

receiving a programming request from one of the [programming station] ~~personalization~~ stations; and

utilizing the card object to control the [programming] ~~personalization~~ station as the [programming] ~~personalization~~ station programs the portable programmed data carrier.

11 22. [Amended] The computer-readable medium of claim 21, having further computer-executable instructions for [performing the step of] acquiring security services from a security source.

12 23. [Amended] The computer-readable medium of claim 21, having further computer-executable instructions for [performing the step of] acquiring data from a data source.

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96 14 25. [Amended] The computer-readable medium of claim 21, having further computer-executable instructions for [performing the step of] providing support services.

Please add the following new claims.

97 SUB C 29. [New] A method of programming a portable programmed data carrier in a system having a server and a personalization station, the method comprising:  
receiving, by the personalization station, a card object identifier;  
requesting, by the personalization station, from the server, information for programming the portable programmed data carriers; and  
programming, by the personalization station, the portable programmed data carrier under the control of the server.

30. [New] A method of controlling programming of portable programmed data carriers in a system having a server and a plurality of personalization stations, the method comprising:  
receiving, by the server, a card object from a card issuer management system, wherein the card object consists of information for programming the portable programmed data carriers;  
receiving, by the server, a programming request from one of the personalization stations;  
and  
utilizing, by the server, the card object to control the personalization station as the personalization station programs the portable programmed data carrier.

19. 20 31. [New] The method of claim 30, further comprising acquiring data by the server from a data source.

20 21 32. [New] The method of claim 31, wherein the data source is the card issuer management system.

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